

CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE

HB 2504 - SB 2726

March 11, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that the Tennessee Correction Academy will be managed by a board comprised of the Commissioners of the Departments of Correction and Children's Services, the Chairman of the Board of Paroles, the Superintendent of the Academy, the Director of the Tennessee Corrections Institute, and two members appointed by the Governor. All institutional and field personnel, public and private, for the Departments of Correction and Children's Services and the Board of Paroles will receive pre-service and in-service training at the academy. Upon request, the academy will provide training programs for municipal, county and metropolitan correctional agencies for a fee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$500,000

Estimate assumes the Tennessee Correction Academy will not be able to handle the additional volume of training without increasing capacity. Approximately 1800 additional staff of the Department of Children's Services will be trained at the academy. Failure to provide this training may result in loss of \$1.2 million federal training funds. Training is currently provided by U.T. and private contractors.

Also assumes additional contract cost for private prison management for staff training. Currently, private prison contractor trains personnel on the job and does not use the academy.

The long term impact on state expenditures will depend on the ability of the academy to offer training to governmental entities at rates less expensive than current training providers.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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